

**SBMOC Monthly Members Meeting – Saturday, Dec. 4, 2021**

**(NOTE: Next meeting on Sat., Jan. 8; not Jan 1.)**

The Grapevine Restaurant, Boiling Springs SC

President Dennis Bromley opened the meeting and welcomed members. There were no new members or guests present.

**Treasurer's Report** - Karen Thomas. November ending balances were \$3,070.03 in BB&T and \$2,796.02 in PayPal. Approximately \$1,400 is owed to the Piedmont Club for the Christmas party and will be paid in January.

**Previous Activities Recap** - 11 members enjoyed 2 days at Hickory Knob State Park in mid-November; a breakfast get-together was held on Nov. 30 at Strawberry Hill, and the Christmas Party made a fabulous return on December 1! Raves about the food, service, ambience and another huge shout out to Will and Nelson Edwards for making the Piedmont Club room available and to Mary Reed for organizing another outstanding social event. Check out the photos on the website! <https://sbmoc.com/christmas-party-pics-2021/>

**December Activities** - Call for suggestions and organizers...a Noggin & Natter, breakfast, drive....

**2022 Activities so far** - Bill McCall announced the Oyster Roast will be back in 2022 on Saturday, April 16, so hold the date. Karen Thomas suggested the annual Revolutionary War program at the Cowpens Battlefield in January as an activity. No details are published yet; more to come.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

***Note the following upcoming monthly meeting dates....and do drive your LBC to the meetings; at the Grapevine park together along the back row of the lot; a bit longer to walk to the entrance but these little beauties look great in a group and are attention-getters!***

Sat., Jan. 8 (rather than New Year's Day) at the Grapevine

Sat., Feb. 5 (as usual, at the Grapevine)

Sat., March 5 - Annual Meeting; starting at 8:30 a.m. at the Golden Corral

**Election of Officers** will take place at the Annual Meeting on March 5. Nominations will be made at the January meeting with voting taking place at the February meeting. Positions open in 2022 are Vice President (succeeding Roy Atkinson who becomes president) and secretary (succeeding Laura Converse.) As usual here's another opportunity to avoid getting involved!

**Tech Activity** - Harvey Thomas suggested spotlighting cars that are new to members or seeing a restoration in process. If there is sufficient interest, a visit may be possible.

**DUES FOR 2022:** The Board discussed membership dues at its Dec. 3 board meeting. While revenue and expenses remained fairly flat in 2021, as we streamline more of our member and other transactions by using PayPal we are also incurring more and higher fees. Following discussion, the Board voted to increase the dues for 2022 as follows:

2 person: \$28 full-year (from \$26); \$14 if joining after July 1

Single: \$18 full-year (from \$16); \$9 if joining after July 1

**REMINDER: Dues must be paid before the February 5 meeting in order to vote.** Here's the link: <https://sbmoc.com/become-a-member-or-renew/>

**GREAT SCOT 2022** - Sam's on it! More to come in January, but Sam's percolating ways to draw a large crowd for the show's return after a 2 year absence **and** to make it easier on the organizers.

Ideas floated: no T-shirts; do we need one featured marque (if so, choose one with a good following), or perhaps something more general such as British Leyland cars; British cars in general, etc.; something other than trophies (perhaps an enameled pin); park cars in looser, more general groupings. He also noted that the Scottish Games organizers report sponsorships and general funding support is reduced and being sought.

**MGB parts for sale** - Al received a message from former member John Fortner (lives in Greer) who has a substantial inventory of MGB (probably early 70's era) parts for sale. Contact Al if you'd like to learn more; he'll share John's message with the details.

**50/50** - \$13 was won by Sue Beck. Thanks to Dave Kuhn for handling ticket sales today.

Notes by Laura Converse